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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re U.S. Patent Application**

**Okubo et al.**

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**Examiner:  
Allen, Marianne P.**

**Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
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Washington, D.C. 20231**

**COVER LETTER**

Sir:

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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$290	0
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Response to Office Action  
(with Claim Amendments)  
 Preliminary Amendment  
 Substitute Specification  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

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 Terminal Disclaimer  
 Letter to Draftsperson  
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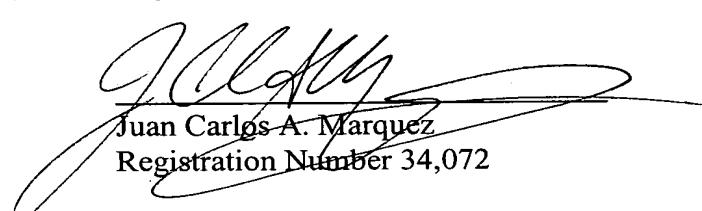
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

**Sir:**

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2004, the shortened period for response to which will expire on March 1, 2004. Applicants hereby elect the continuing prosecution of Group VI, drawn to a sixth knowledge database, without traverse. Claims 6 to 9, 11, 13, and 15 pertain to the elected group.